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Mr. Anthony Hood  
Chairman  
DC Zoning Commission  
One Judiciary Square  
441 4<sup>th</sup> St., NW, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Washington, DC 20001

**Re: ZC Case # 10-14 - Big Bear Café**  
**1700 1<sup>st</sup> Street, NW, Washington, DC**

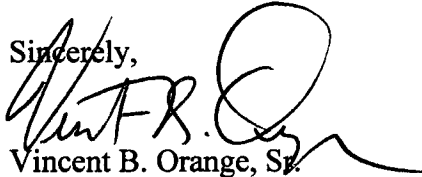
Dear Mr. Hood:

I am writing in support of Big Bear Café in the above-referenced matter. I support its request for a Zoning Map Amendment to have its commercial use recognized in the DC Zoning Map.

Big Bear Café is a neighborhood hub and gathering place. It provides jobs for local residents, and it pays taxes. It was the North Capitol Main Street, "Neighborhood Business of the Year" in 2008. It won the "Mayor's Environmental Excellence Award" in 2009 and more recently, received positive recognition in the Washingtonian Magazine and the Washington Post. Without the Zoning Map Amendment, Big Bear Café could potentially lose significant outside seating, its alcohol license and its restaurant license.

Big Bear Café has worked hard to be positive member of the community, and the Zoning Map Amendment will help it continue to do so.

Sincerely,



Vincent B. Orange, Sr.

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